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## **Viral Lower Respiratory tract infections (Part 2)**

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## INTENDED LEARNING OBJECTIVES (ILO)



**By the end of this lecture the student will be able to:**

1. Describe the structure and antigenicity of viruses causing LRTIs
2. Describe pathogenesis and clinical manifestations of viral LRTIs
3. Outline laboratory diagnosis of viral LRTIs.

# Respiratory Tract Infections

## Upper respiratory tract Diseases

## Upper and Lower respiratory Tract Diseases

## Lower Respiratory Tract Diseases

### Common Cold Pharyngitis

Otitis Media

Sinusitis

### Laryngitis

Epiglottitis

### Croup

### Influenza

Whooping Cough

### Bronchitis

### Bronchiolitis

### Pneumonia

Pulmonary TB

Lung Abscess

# PNEUMONIA



## Definition

Inflammation of the **lung** affecting the al

## Clinical manifestations

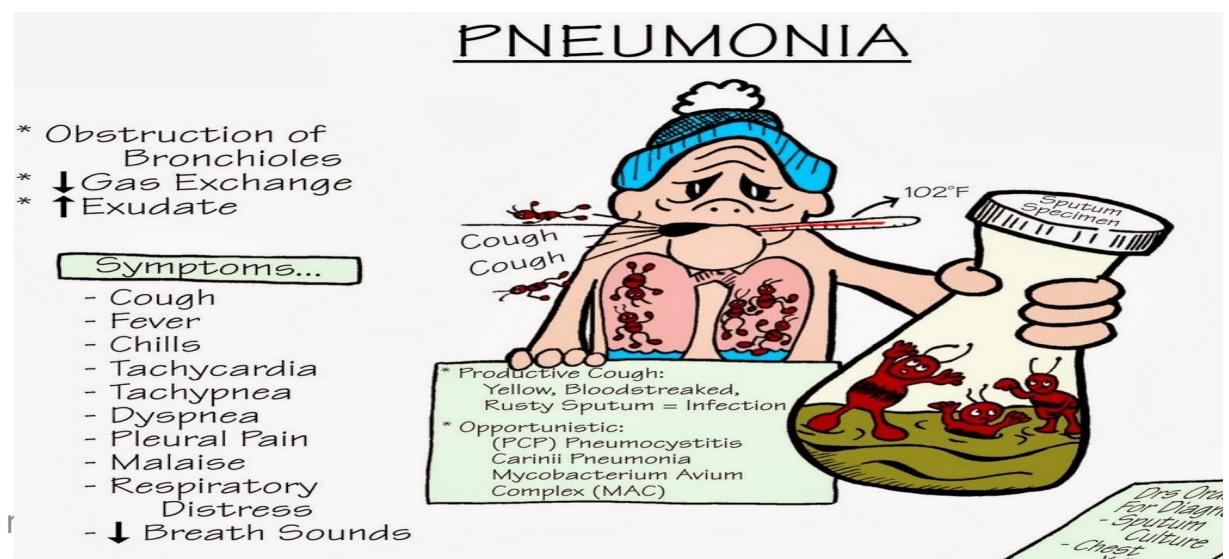
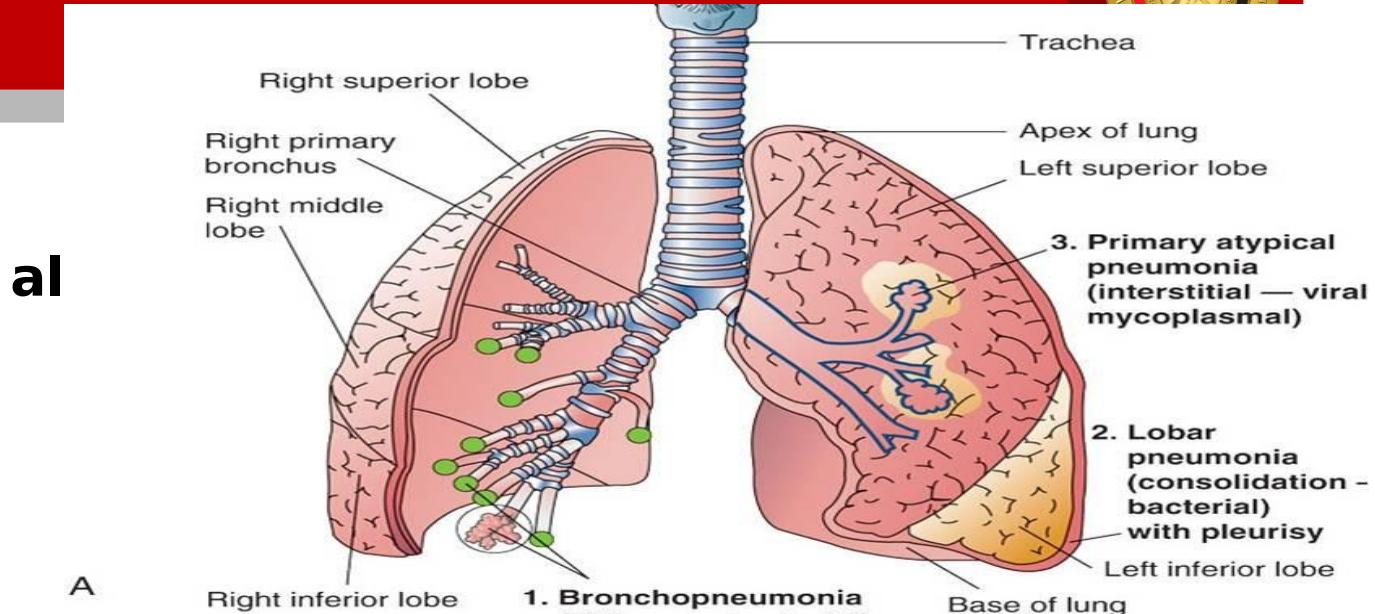
**1-Fever & Chest pain**

**2-Cough (dry or productive)**

**3-Dyspnea**

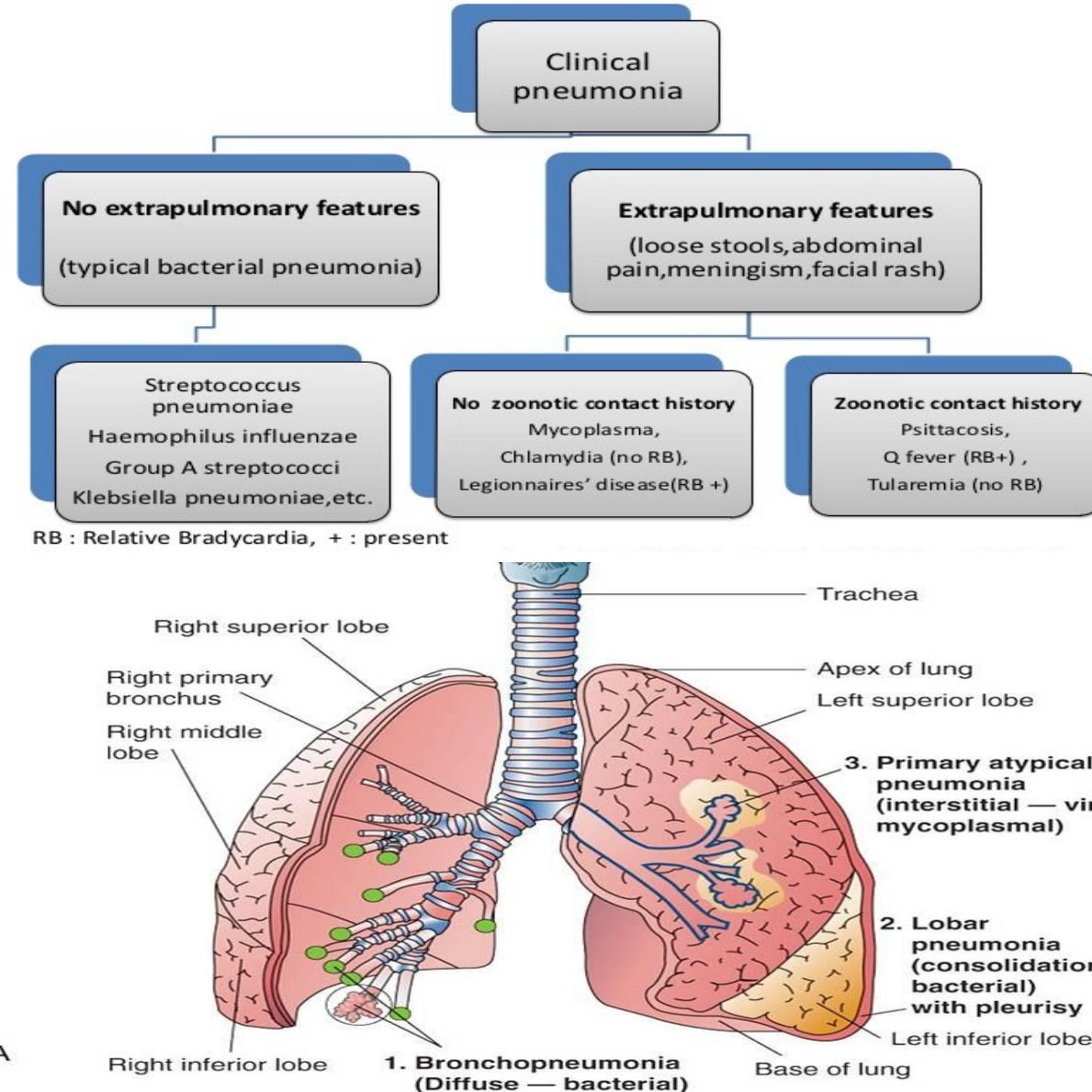
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## Clinical classification

Typical	Atypical
<b>Manifestations</b>	
1-Rapid onset	<b>1-Slower onset</b>
2-More severe symptoms	<b>2-Less severe symptoms</b>
3-Productive cough	<b>3-Nonproductive cough</b>
4-Dense consolidation on chest Xray	<b>4-Patchy interstitial pattern on chest X ray.</b>
5-Causative organism can be isolated on routine culture media	<b>5-Causative organisms can't be isolated on routine culture media</b>
<b>Causative agents</b>	
1-Strept.pneumoniae.	1-Legionella pneumophilla
2-H.influenzae	2-Mycoplasma pneumoniae.
3-Pseudomonas aeruginosa.	3-Chlamydia pneumoniae.& psittaci.
4-Klebsiella pneumoniae.	4-Coxiella burnetti.
5-Bacillus anthracis	<b>5-Viruses and fungi.</b>



# Viral causes of Atypical Pneumonia



**1-Influenza virus: the most common cause .**

2-Respiratory syncitial virus.

3-Adenovirus.

**4- Corona viruses**

SARS -Cov ,MERS-Cov &SARS -Cov -2

**5-Herpes viruses : in patients with ↓ cell medi**

Cytomegalovirus,Herpes simplex virus & Varicella Z

**6-Hanta virus : in certain geographical areas**

## Causes of Atypical pneumonia

### **Bacteria**

- *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* (M. pneumoniae)
- *Chlamydophila (C. psittaci, C. pneumoniae)*
- *Legionella*
- *F. tularensis*
- *Y. pestis*
- *B. anthracis*

### **Rickettsia**

- *C. burnetii*(Q fever)

### **Respiratory tract viruses**

- Influenza, adenovirus, respiratory syncytial virus, parainfluenza virus

### **Other viral agents**

- Varicella-zoster, measles, Epstein-Barr virus, CMV, metapneumovirus, Hantavirus

### **Fungi**

- *Histoplasma, Blastomyces, Coccidioides, Pneumocystis*

**Myxo = affinity to mucin**

## Myxoviruses

### Orthomyxo viruses

### Paramyxo viruses

- ***Smaller***
- ***Segmented RNA genome***
- ***Liable to Agic variation***

### Influenza viruses

- ***Larger***
- ***Single piece of RNA***
- ***Not liable to Agic variation***

- **Parainfluenza**
- **Mumps virus**
- **Measles virus**
- **Respiratory syncytial virus**

# Influenza Viruses



Structure

A- Family

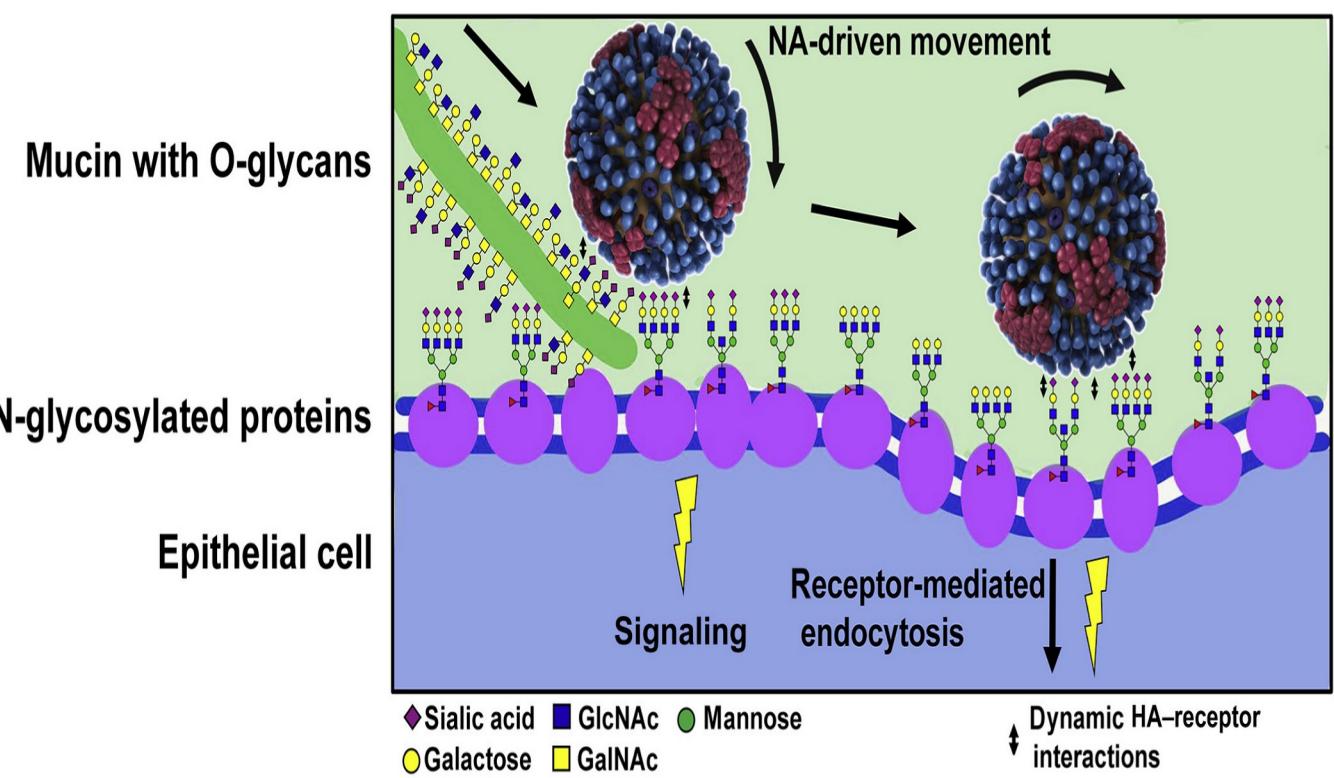
Are the only members of the **orthomyxoviruses**

(**myxo** : interact with **mucins**;

glycoproteins on the surface of cells).

□ They replicate in **mucous membranes**

**of upper and lower respiratory tract.**



## B-Nucleocapsid

1- Segmented ssRNA genome :

8 segments

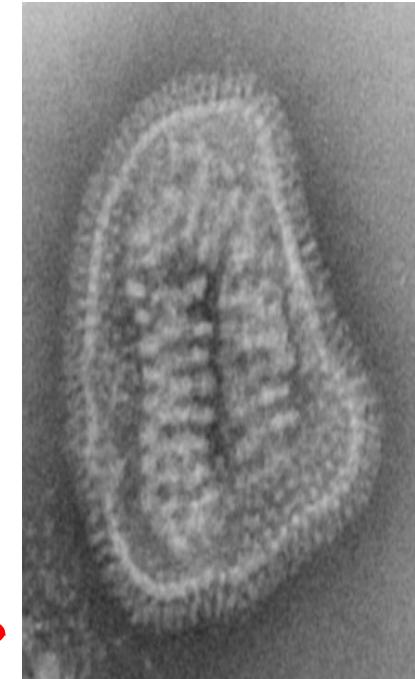
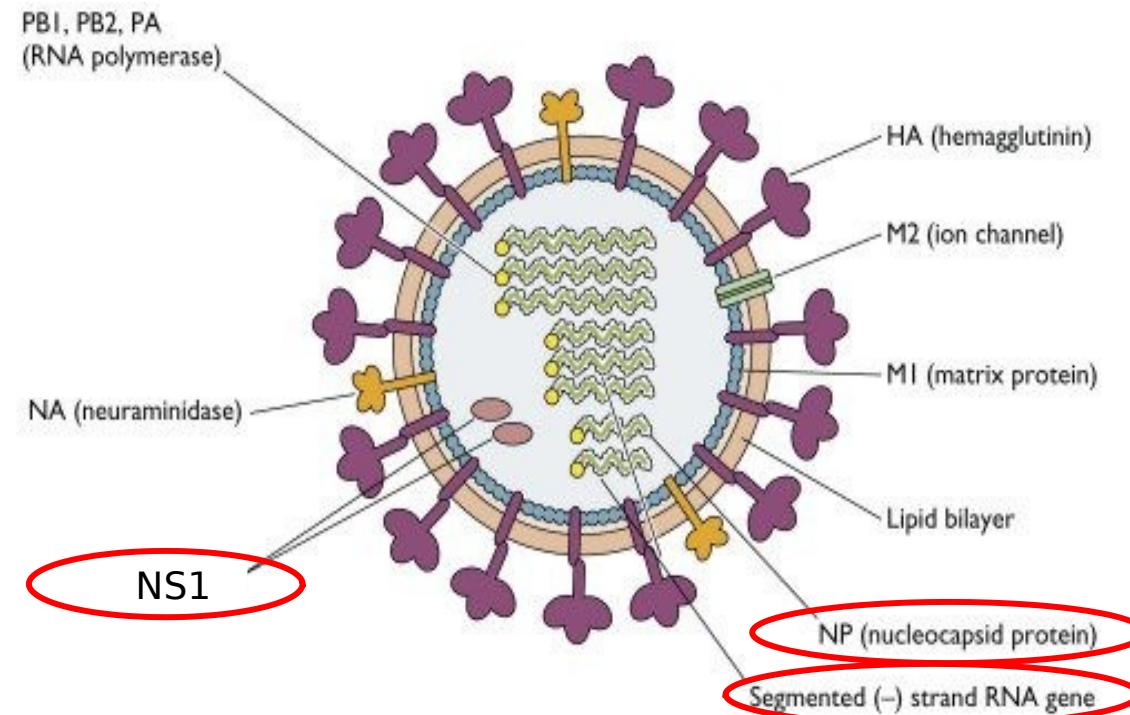
2-Helical

3-Group (type) specific Ags

Internal ribonucleoprotein divides the virus

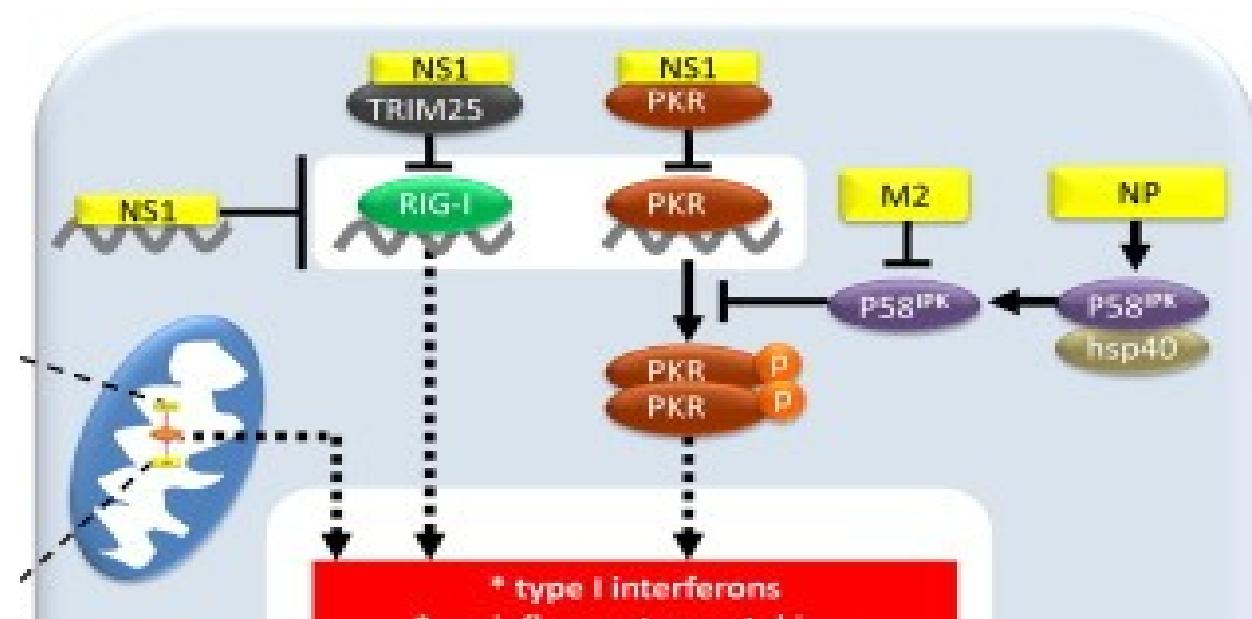
into 3 types: A,B &C

4-Non structural protein : NS1



Inhibits production of Interferon

Enhances viral virulence



# Influenza Viruses

## C - Envelope

Contains **2 projecting glycoprotein spikes** :

Hemagglutinin (HA) & Neuraminidase (NA)

**Subtype ( strain) specific** Ags ( Major Ags)

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Divide type A into strains

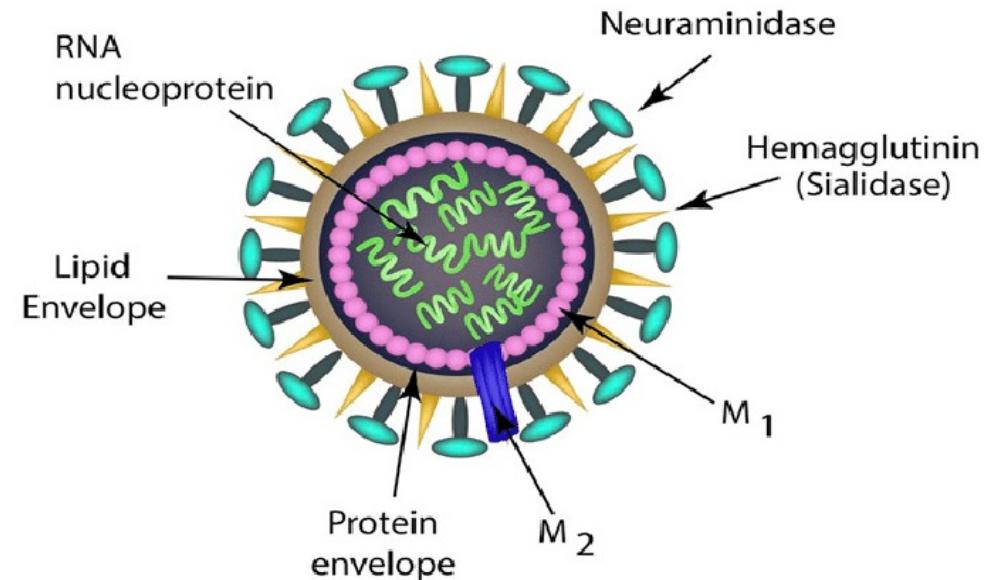
**Heamagglutinin (HA)**

1-Binds to host cell **receptors**

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**Viral entry**

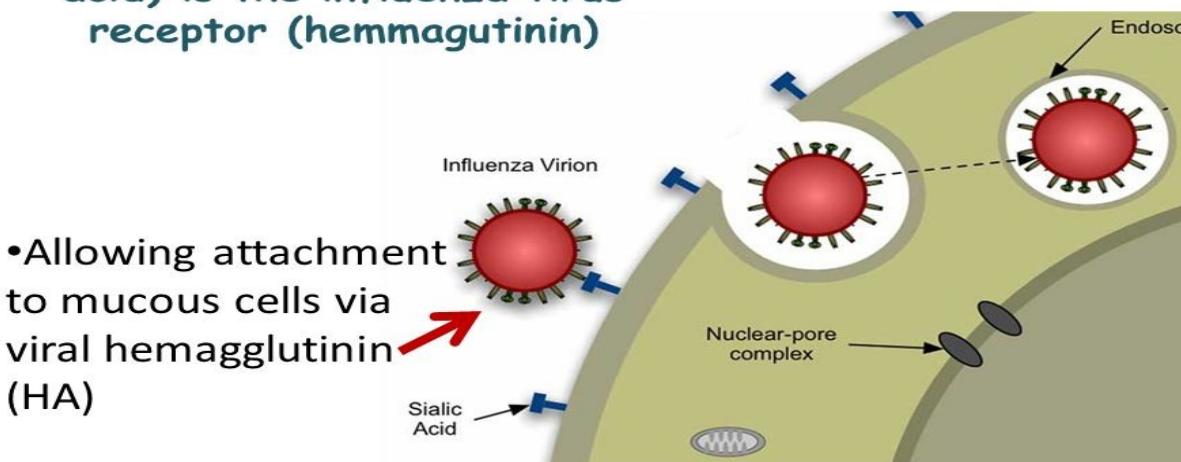
**Abs** against it **neutralize infectivity & prevent disease**

2 - **Heamagglutination** of animal RBCs



*N-Acetylneurameric acid (Sialic acid) is the influenza virus receptor (hemmagutinin)*

- Allowing attachment to mucous cells via viral hemagglutinin (HA)



## Neuraminidase (NA)

1- **Cleaves neuraminic acid of infected**



**Viral release** (at end of infection)



**Abs** against it ↓ **viral release & s**

2 - **Degrad protective mucus** in RT

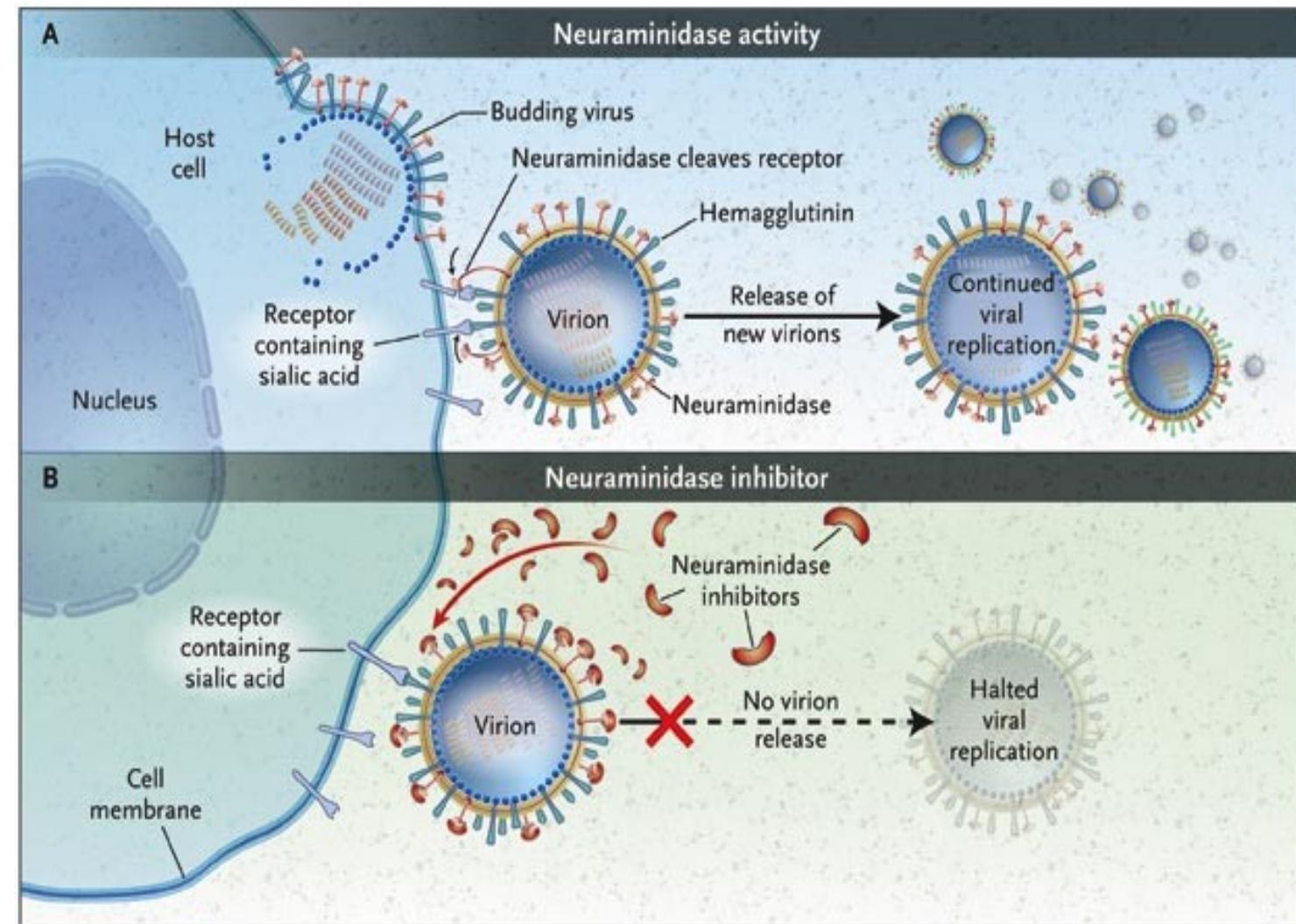


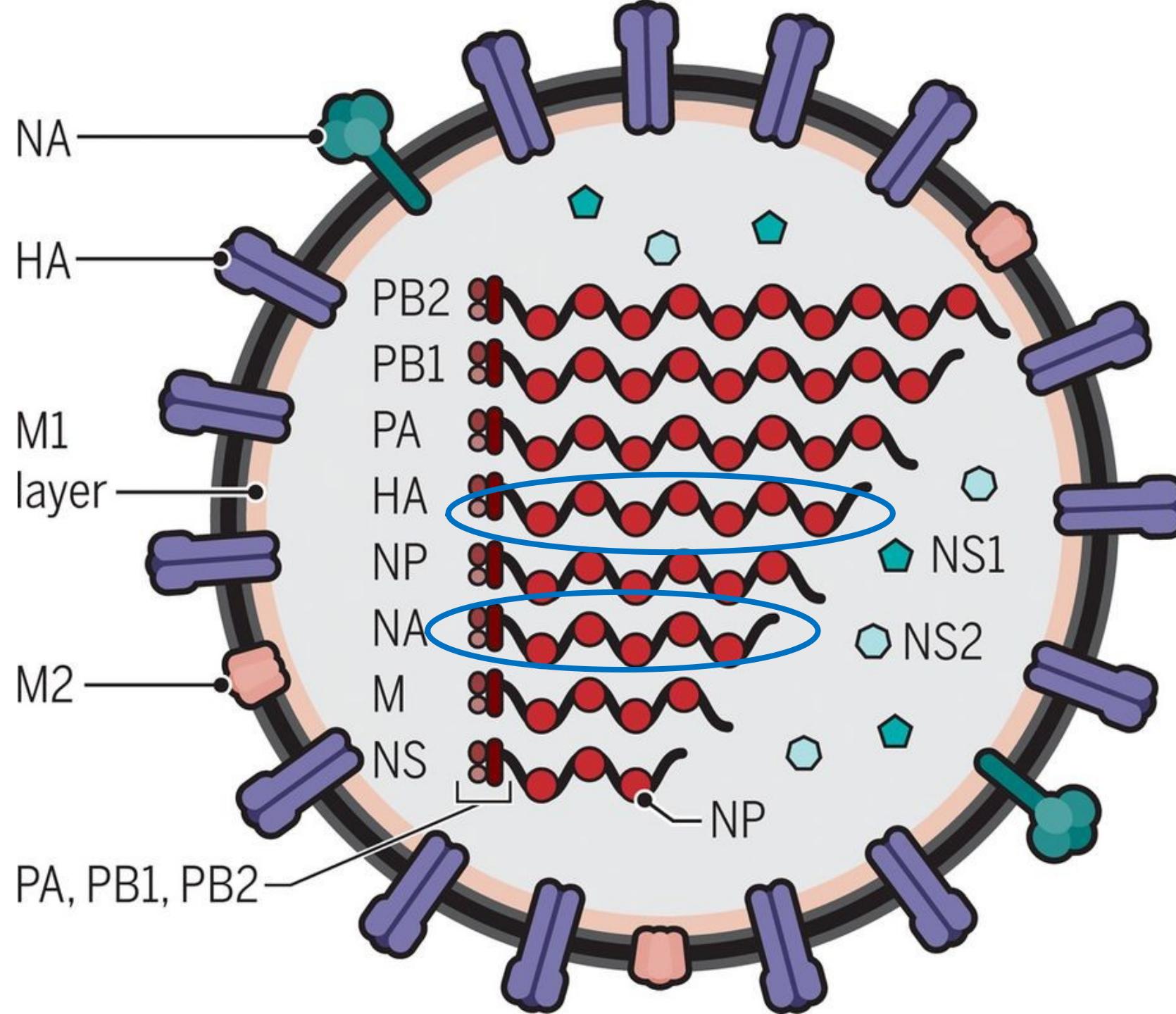
**Virus gets access to epithelial cells**

(at beginning of infection)

NA is inhibited by

***Oseltamivir ( Tamiflu)***





## Accessory proteins

PB1-F2

M42

PA-X

M3\*

M4\*

NS3\*

NSP\*

Influenza viruses have **Type -specific** and **subtype(strain)-specific antigens.**

**Internal ribonucleoproteins**

**Hemagglutinin and Neuraminidase**

## Influenza A

- Has 18 different types **Haemagglutinin (H1 to H18)** & 11 different **Neuraminidase (N1 to N11)**

Each strain is named according to **its type of HA & NA** e.g.

### H1N1

- Infects human & other species**

Many species of animals (e.g., aquatic birds, chickens, swine, and humans) have **their own influenza A viruses**.

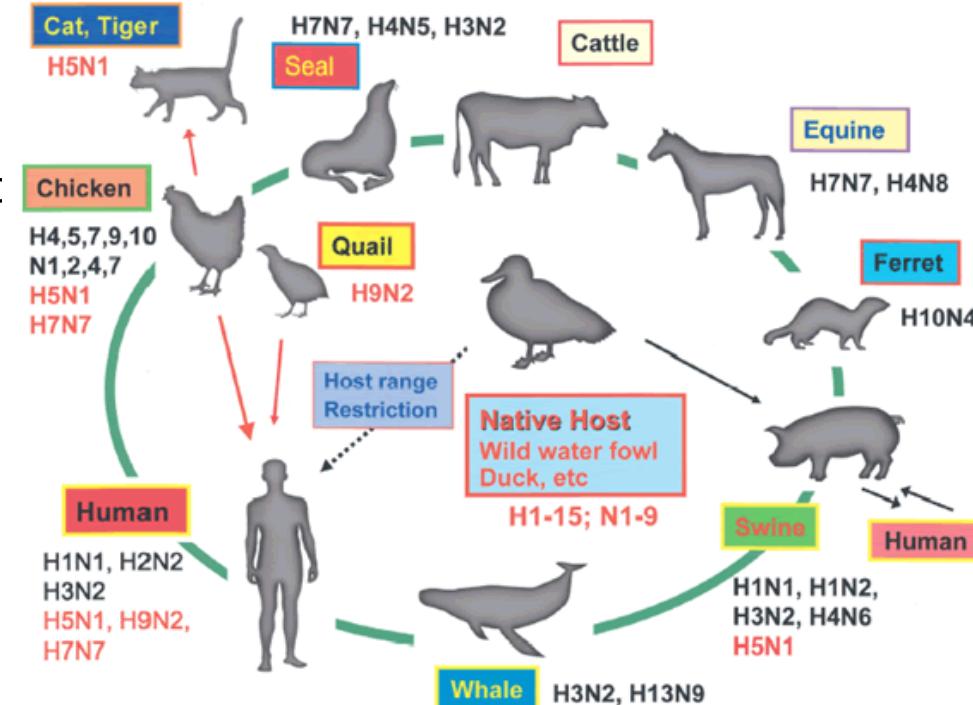
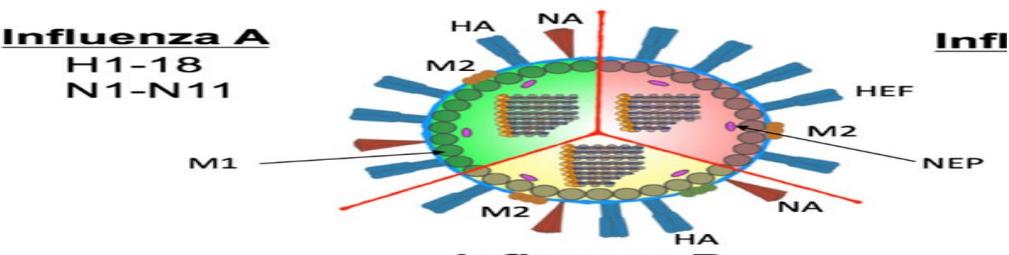
- Are the **usual cause of epidemics**

### Influenza B

- is only a **human** virus.
- Cause less severe disease and **smaller outbreaks**

### Influenza C

#### Influenza A H1-18 N1-N11

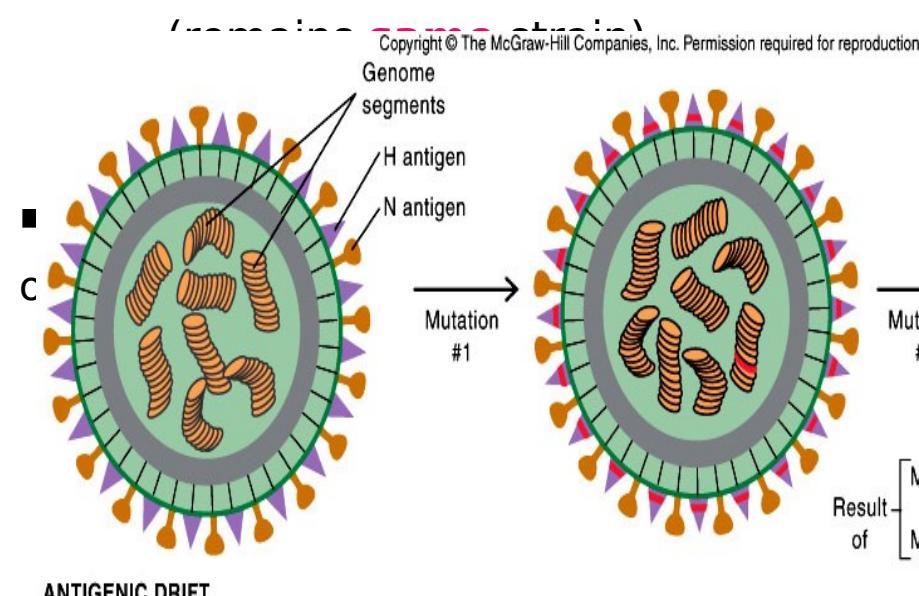




## Antigenic drift

- Type **A & B**
- **Spontaneous point mutation**

**Minor change** in amino acid sequence of **HA or NA**

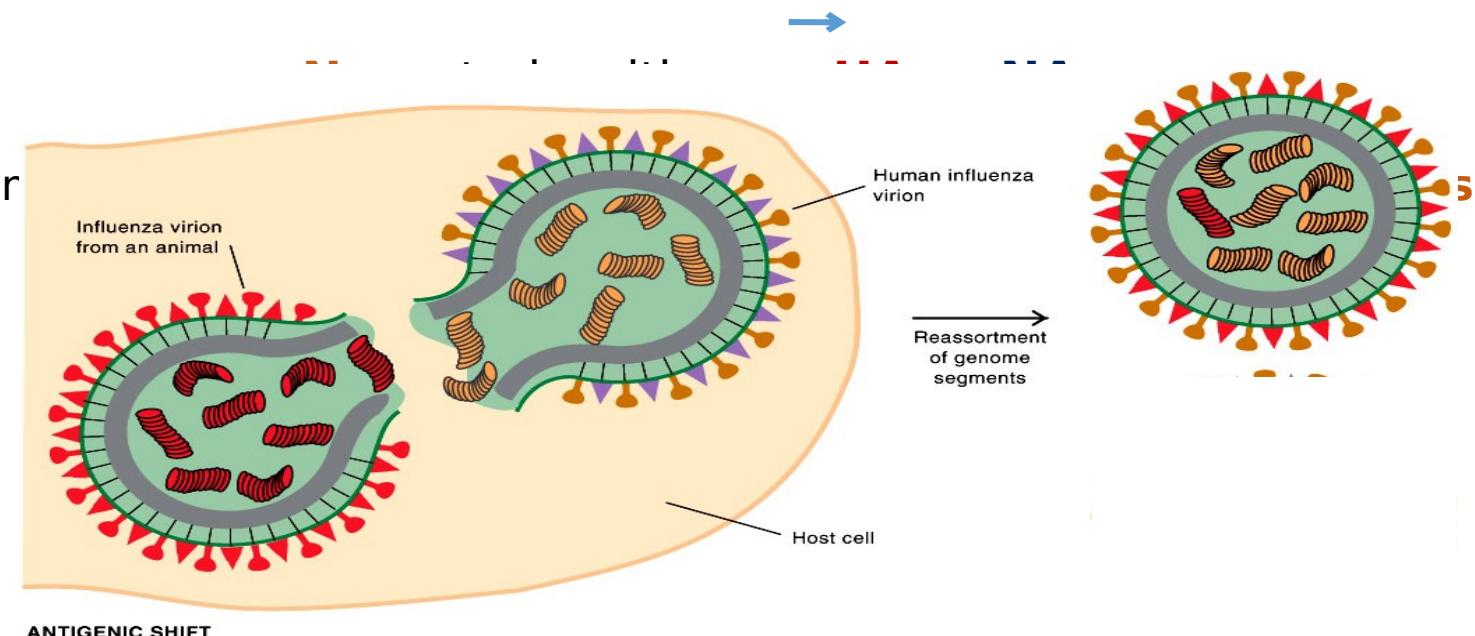


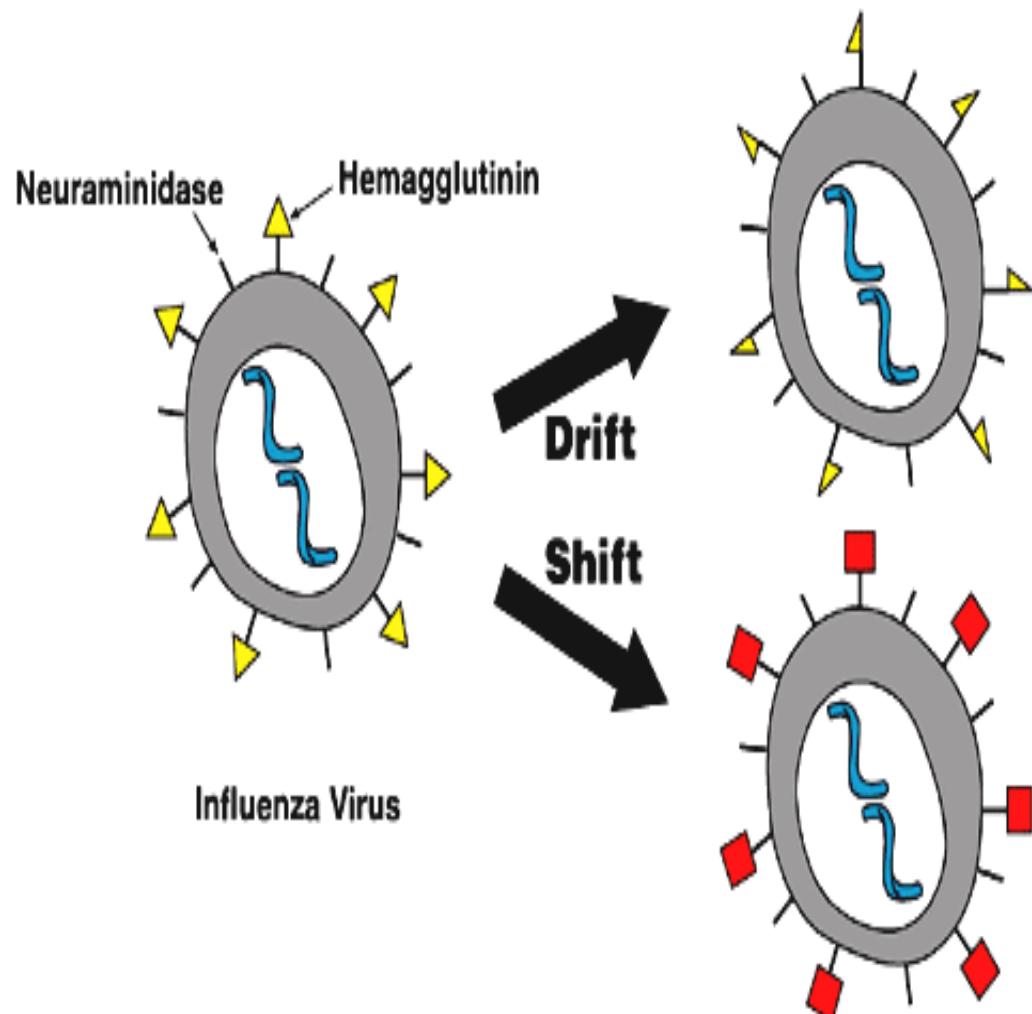
## Antigenic shift

- Type **A only due to wide host range** ; infects both human & animals: Pigs, aquatic birds & chicken
- **Genetic reassortment** : 2 viruses of different strains infect a single cell

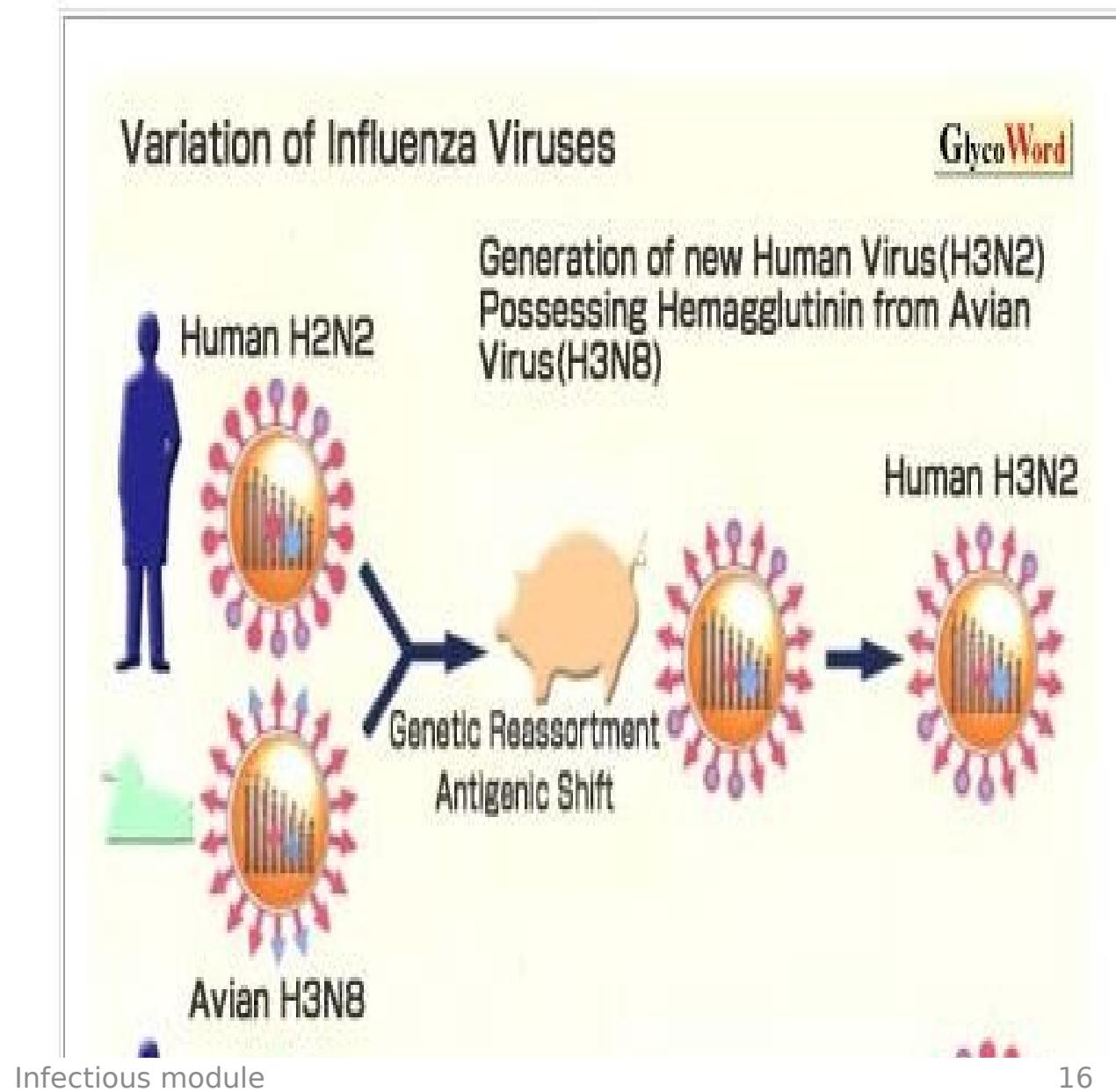
**(In pigs** : susceptible to avian, human & swine strains)

Gene segment coding for **HA** or **NA** in **one** strain **is replaced by another segment from the other strain**





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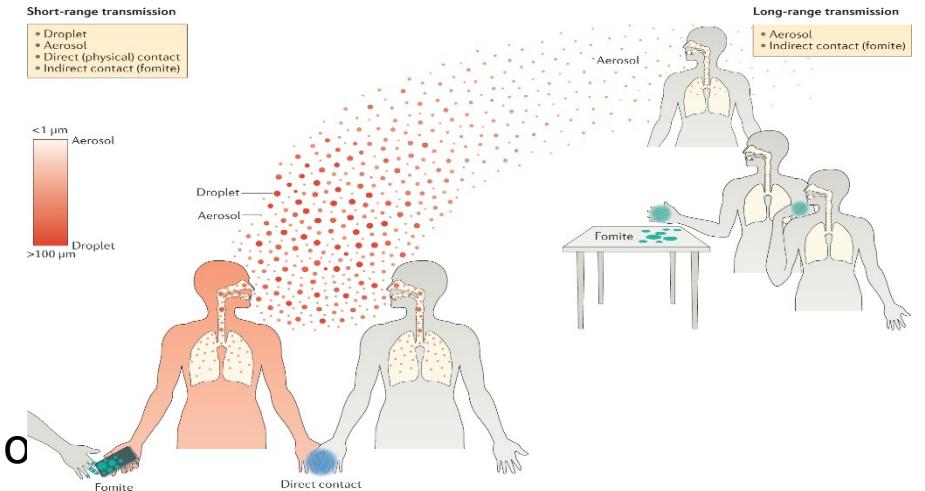
## A - Mode of transmission

1- Inhalation : droplets

2-Contact :

**a-Direct** : hand to hand contact followed by rubbing the nose and mouth

**b-Indirect** : via fomites, towels, contaminated surfaces



# Influenza Viruses

## B-Replication

- NA degrades protective mucin layer over epithelial cells of RT



- Virus **attachment by HA**



Necrosis & desquamation of the superficial layers of resp. epith

- Infection is limited to RT as **local extracellular protease cleaves I**



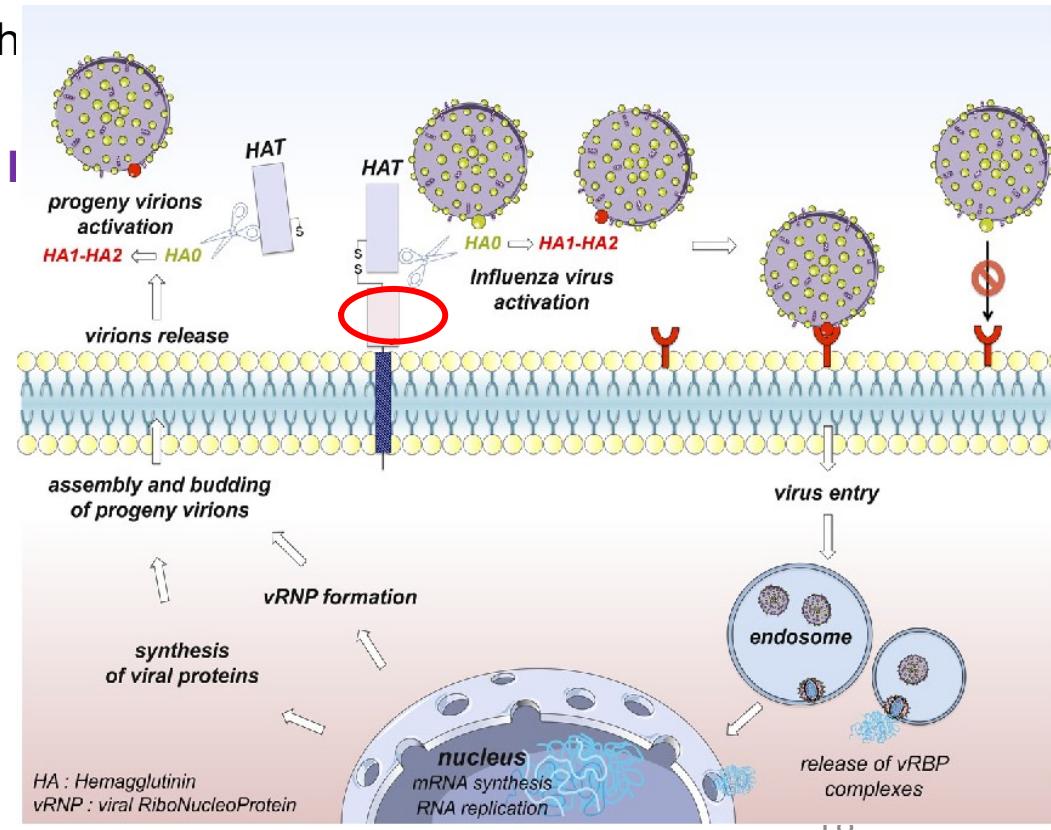
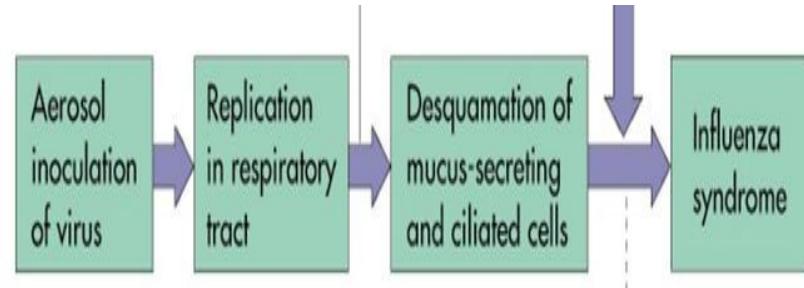
- Modified(active) HA**



Attachment to host cell

- **Systemic symptoms** are due to **cytokine** release

(viremia is rare)



# Influenza Viruses



## C- Immunity

Interferon  $\alpha$  & Secretory IgA are the main protective immunity

Clinical manifestations

**A-Local** : ♦ Nasal discharge      ♦ Dry c

**B-Systemic** : ♠ Fever, headache      ♠ Myalg

**C - Complications:** (infants, elderly, pregnant)

1-Otitis media (children) , & sinusitis

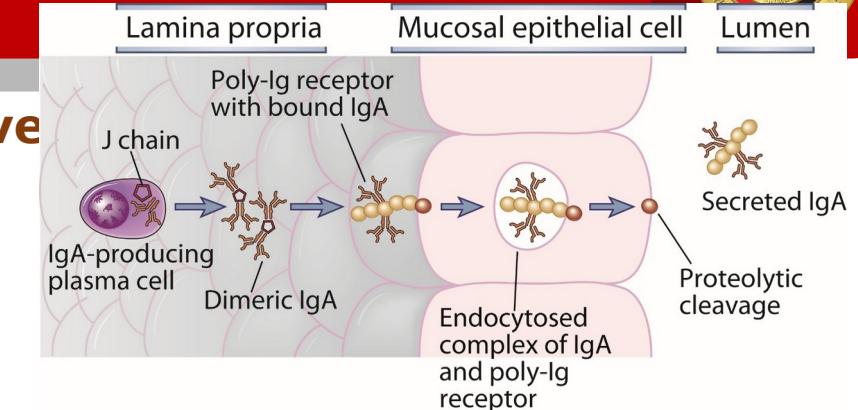
2- Bronchitis

## 3-Pneumonia

a.1ry viral pneumonia

**b.2ry bacterial pneumonia** (most common)

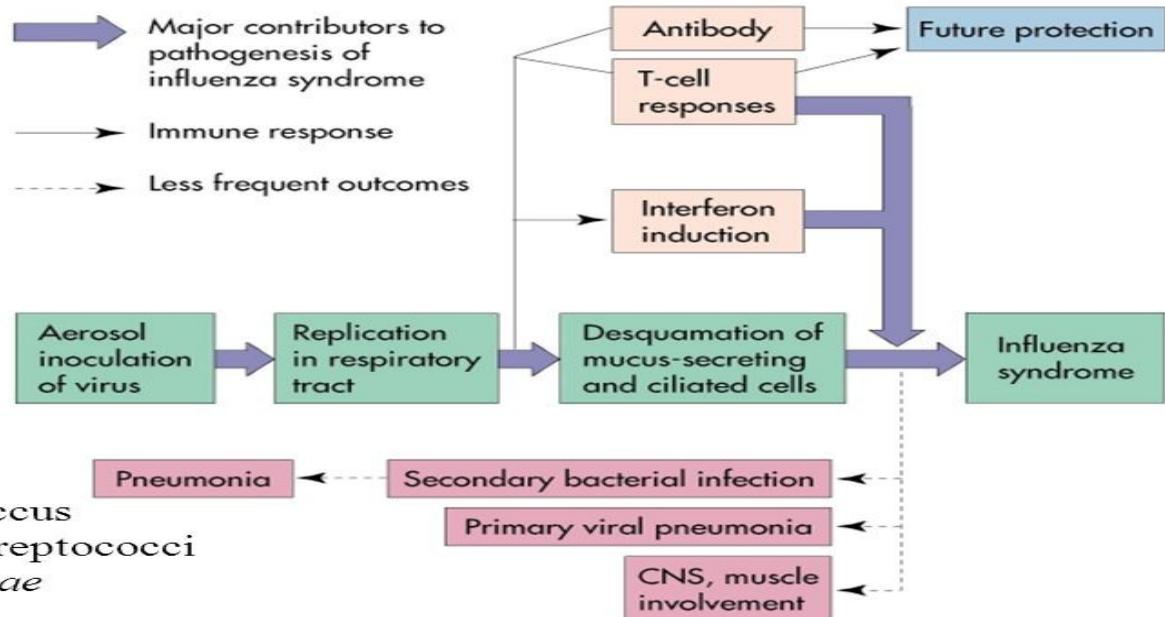
by *S. aureus* *Pneumococci*



## Influenza Pathogenesis

Key:

- Major contributors to pathogenesis of influenza syndrome
- Immune response
- Less frequent outcomes



*S. aureus*  
*pneumococcus*  
Group A streptococci  
*H. influenzae*

# Examples of Influenza Viruses in Humans



## Influenza A : H5N1 ((Avian flu))

### Pathogenesis

#### A - Mode of transmission

1- Direct spread from chicken

2- Rare human to human spread

#### B- Replication Infect chicken & other birds more effectively than humans (Why?)

1- Viral receptor is present throughout the chicken RT

Primarily cause avian influenza in chicken

2- Viral receptor in **human is present only in alveoli**

Humans are rarely infected

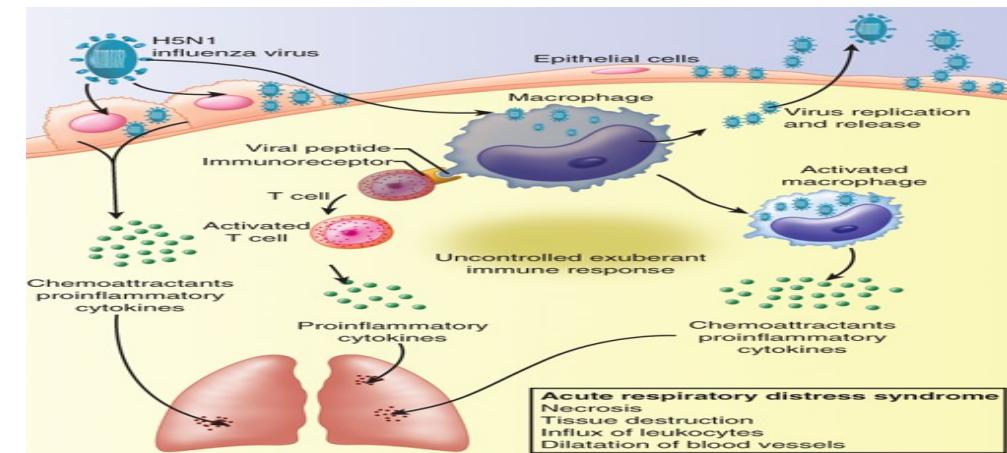
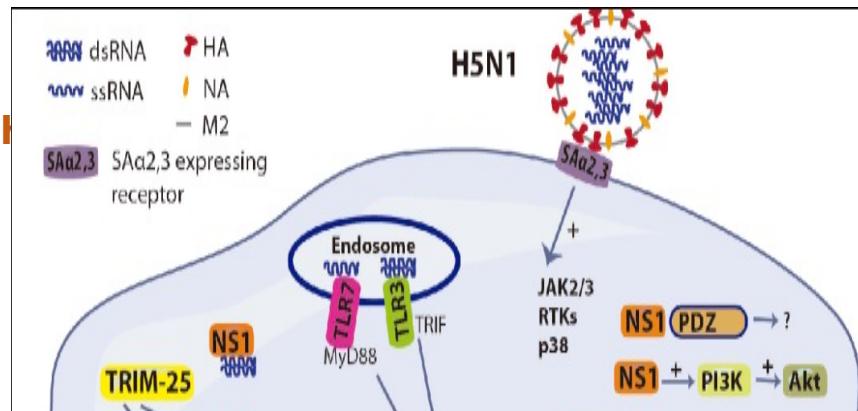
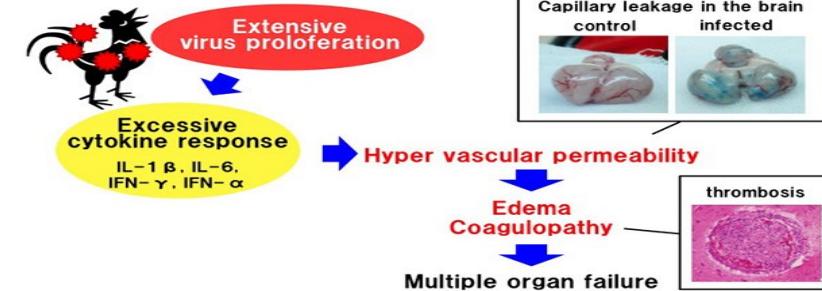
Extensive exposure

reach alveoli

Severe pneumonia

Virus can

#### Pathogenicity of highly pathogenic avian influenza virus and cytokine response in chickens



Prevention 1/24 No vaccine is available

Infectious module

# Influenza Viruses



Laboratory diagnosis: for epidemiological purposes

## Specimen

Nasal or throat swab

### A- Rapid diagnosis

Allow initiation of treatment within 48 hours

1-ELIDA : Detection of viral Ag

2-PCR

### B-Serology

Rising titer of IgG

## Prevention

A - Immunoprophylaxis: vaccination

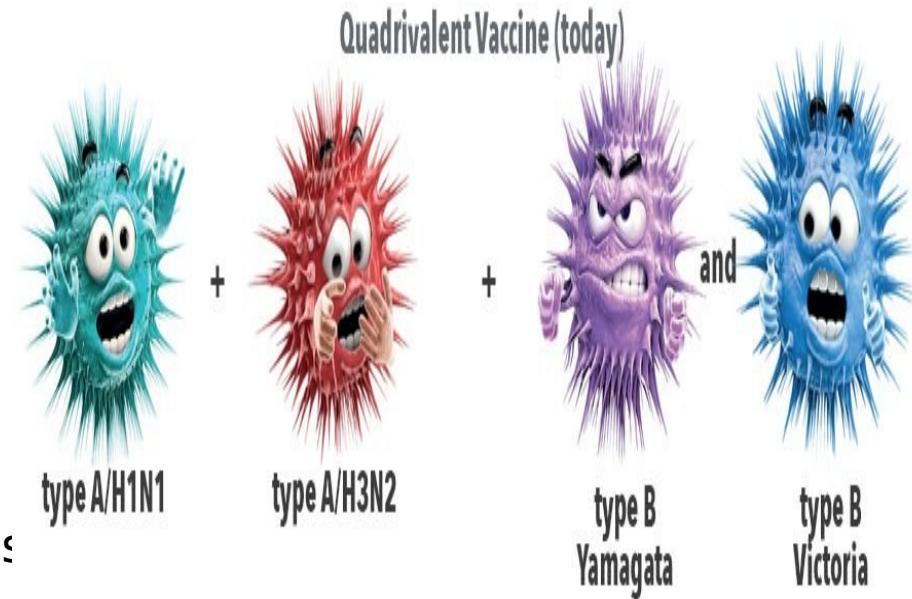
**Most reliable method for prevention**

### 1-Contents

**Quadrivalent vaccine** : most recent isolates of

**H1N1, H3N2 + 2 B strains**

**Reformulated every year** to contain current antigenic strains



**2-Effect & Administration** : needs to be given every year due to

**a- Short lived** protection

**b- Antigenic drift**

### 3-Types

- Killed (Inactivated )**
- Live attenuated**

Inactivated  
(killed)

## Intramuscular



In **chick embryo**

Indications

Persons with **↑ risk to develop complications & their contacts**

- i. Extremes of age
- ii. Immunocompromized patients

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Live  
attenuated

**Intranasal** ( Nasal spray)

**Secretory IgA**

■ **Temperature sensitive**

**mutants in chick**

Can replicate in **embryo** No replication in lower RT (37C)

**cold nose** Indications

**(33C) Healthy individuals**

**with no risk for complications**

Infectious module



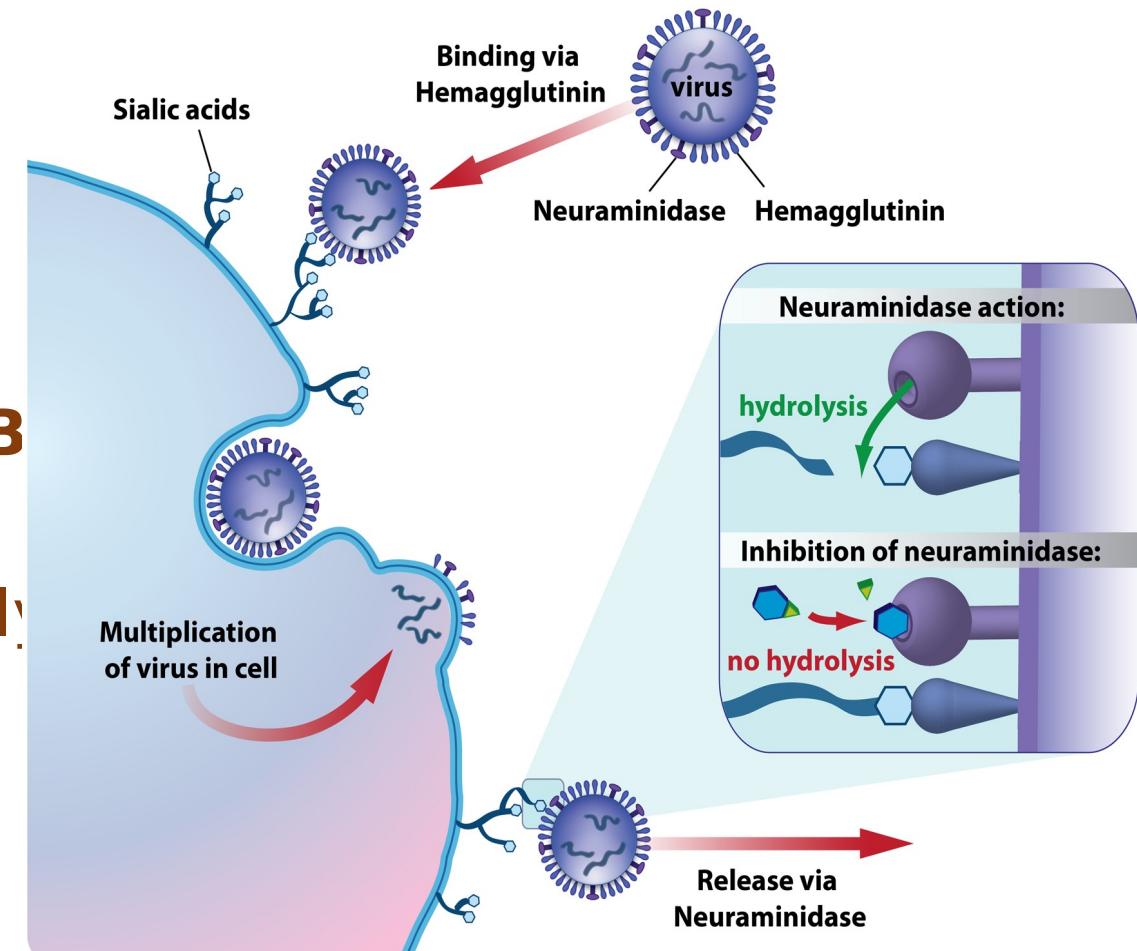
# Influenza Viruses

## B -Chemoprophylaxis

**Neuraminidase inhibitors (oseltamivir)**

Active against influenza types **A and B**

Given to **exposed non vaccinated elderly**



# Hantavirus

Structure

A- Family

**Bunyavirus**

B-Nucleocapsid

ssRNA

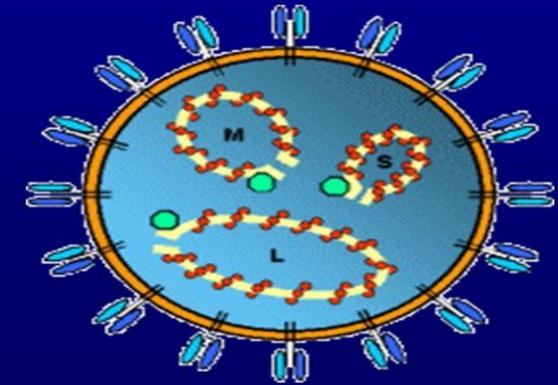
C- Enveloped

D- Sin Nombre virus

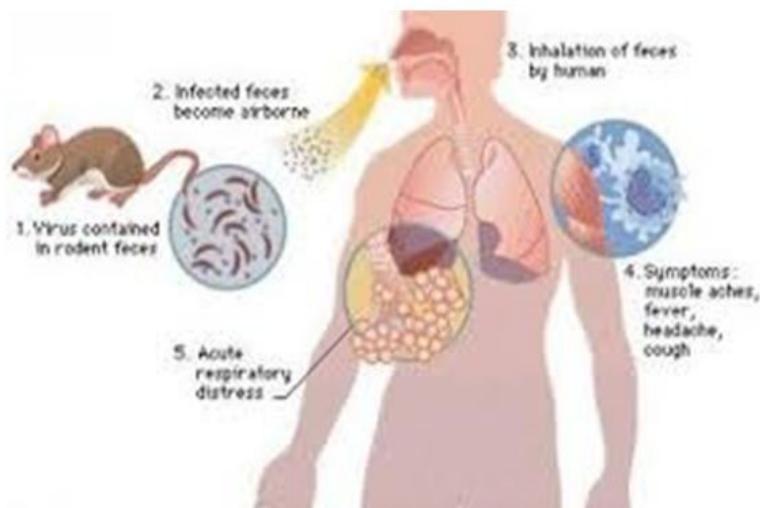
A new hantavirus that causes a severe disease called

**hantavirus pulmonary syndrome (HPS).**

**L-segment** codes for an L-protein (the RNA dependent RNA polymerase);  
**M segment** codes for two surface glycoproteins G1 and G2 which form the envelope spikes;  
**S segment** codes for an N-protein (nucleocapsid protein).



- Also known as Four Corners Virus or Sin Nombre Virus
- Spread through infected rodents and their excretory waste
- Deadly pulmonary disease



## Pathogenesis

### A-Mode of transmission

- **Robovirus** : transmitted from **rodents**

**Inhalation** of aerosols from excreta ( urine, feces, or saliva) of infected deer

- **No human to human transmission**

### B- Site of replication & Effect on cells

1-Virus enters the blood & travels throughout the body

Infects endothelial cells of blood capillary walls.

2- Induces release of inflammatory mediators

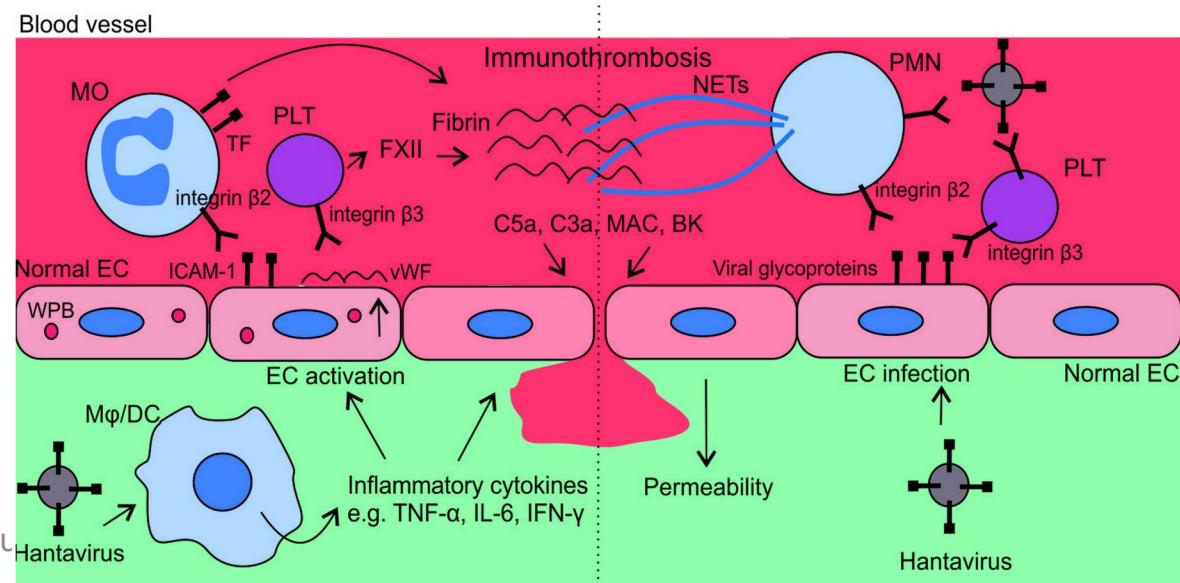
Leakage of fluid from capillaries

Hypotension, **pneumonia** & shock.



### Hantavirus in brief

#### How the virus spreads to humans



# Hantavirus



## Clinical manifestations

### A-Korean hemorrhagic fever (KHF)

- Petechial hemorrhage

- Shock

- Renal failure

### 2-Hanta pulmonary syndrome (high mortality)

- Dry cough, pulmonary edema, shortness of breath

- Acute respiratory failure

## Hantavirus in brief

### How the virus spreads to humans



### Symptoms

Early      Later, 1-2 days

- Chills      • Dry cough
- Fever      • Headache
- Muscle aches      • Nausea, vomiting
- • Shortness of breath

### Characteristics

- Most prevalent in rural areas
- Campers and hikers more likely to catch the virus, because tents rest on the ground
- Cannot be spread between humans

# Hantavirus



## Laboratory diagnosis

1-PCR :Detection of **RNA** in lung tissue

2-Serology : detection of **IgM**

## Prevention

**Eliminate or minimize contact with rodents by:**

Seal up holes, trap & clean up food sources

## SUGGESTED TEXTBOOKS



- ***Review of Medical Microbiology and Immunology, Warren Levinson pages 683-694.***
- **<https://www.cdc.gov/HAI>** .
- **American Journal of Respiratory Critical Care Medicine Vol 171. pp 388-416, 2005)**
- **<http://text.apic.org/item37/chapter36pneumonia/all>**



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